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ALMA

Christmas. Christmas week in the redwoods was produced and directed by Messrs. Hyde, McDonough (Ore.), and Jonsen, the 1959 Christmas committee. Under the direction of Mr. J. Kaufer (Ore.) the Alma choir sang in modes liturgical and light during the holidays—mainly for the Alma community, but also at two Christmas Masses for the patients at Agnews Mental Hospital, for the Carmelite nuns in Santa Clara, and at El Retiro retreat house. Early Christmas morning Mr. E. Short was handed the book and staff of the spring semester beadle. Mr. R. Cobb will assist him as sub-beadle. Mr. Short spent several days in the infirmary.

The Apostolate. Fr. J. O'Brien's article "De Congregationibus Religiosis Exemptis" appeared in the 1959 issue of **Periodica.** Fr. Hagemann gave a day of recollection to the priests of the Eucharistic League in Oakland. Fr. Fisher spoke to the Holy Name Society of St. Clare's parish on "The Ecumenical Movement."

At a dinner meeting of some 50 members of the Catholic Physicians' Guild of San Francisco, Fr. Farraher discussed "The Population Problem" with two other panelists. Fr. Farraher has also been appointed vice-postulator for the apostolic process in San Francisco in the canonization cause of Blessed Philippine Duchesne.

The Fathers Huesman lectured at the meeting of the Secondary Teachers of the Notre Dame High Schools, which was held at Notre Dame High School in San Jose. Fr. William spoke on "The Liturgy in the High School Curriculum," and Fr. John pointed out "New Developments in Scripture Study.' Fr. J. Huesman spoke again at Notre Dame High School in Belmont on "Modern Scriptural Movements." To mark the semester's end of the Old Testament scripture class, the students presented Fr. J. Huesman with an ancient cane of dubious origin. Mr. Small (Ore.), who made the presentation, hinted the cane's relation to the Egyptian Queen, Hatshepsut, whose name figured in many of the semester's lectures. This information was based on the musty research of Mr. Callaghan and his staff.

Fr. Dailey gave a lecture on "Catholic Marriage" to a class in social relations at San Mateo Jr. College on Jan. 6.

Goings and Comings. After seven years at Alma, Fr. Schneider leaves for Loyola U. where he will be procurator. Bro. Massey comes to replace Fr. Schneider at Alma. At a special gathering the Alma community said good-by to Fr. Schneider, and also to Fr. J. Wright (Ore.) who returns to his post at the Gregorian after his one semester loan to Alma.

Fr. D. O'Hanlon will spend the spring semester at Harvard attending the lectures of Paul Tillich. Bros. Bounds and Gonzales returned from the Brothers' Tertianship in Texas.

Apostleship of Prayer. Fr. Thomas

Diehl, S.J., the National Director of the Eucharistic Crusade of the Apostleship of Prayer, spoke to the scholastics on the Eucharistic crusade which is being organized for grammar school children. Father outlined the Crusade's aims of fostering the spiritual life, a sense of the liturgy and the Christian apostolate, and vocations among the young.

Improvements. Bro. McDermott reports that Mr. Allen Hancock, a frequent benefactor, gave the Alma book bindery a generous Christmas gift, which will be used for further improvements.

Under the eye and hand of Bro. Straub a new redwood fence now borders Alma along Bear Creek Road.

Sick Bay. Fr. J. Curran has been in St. Mary's Hospital in S.F. for several weeks and is expected to be there for several more.

Late in the evening of Jan. 20th, Fr. Wall suffered a rather severe heart attack. He is convalescing at Sisters Hospital in Santa Cruz.

NOVITIATE

Christmas Eve witnessed the long awaited return of Fr. Kropp after his inspection of the original locale of many an antiquity of the Greco-Roman world. This same day, Bro. Benecke was taken to O'Connor's hospital, afflicted with internal hemorrhage. He improved immediately and returned here in a week.

Fr. Harkin spent Christmas in New York, where, a few days later he read a paper on the application of the linguistic approach to the teaching of classical languages in the elementary stages. The occasion was a meeting of the American Philological Association.

Fr. Master (Drendel) attended the Milwaukee meeting, December 29, of Spiritual Fathers and others concerned with the spiritual training of Ours.

On Epiphany Day, Fr. Octavio Villa, joining Bro. LeFourn, took up residence in Regis Hall. Both are being cared for by Bro. Korte and the Novices. Bro. Le Fourn has been slowly and steadily improving since his trip to the hospital in late November.

On January 8, Bro. John Maloney returned to the Novitiate from his special training in food services at the Milford, Ohio, novitiate.

January 9, Bro. Benecke mounted the beautiful new tabernacle which he designed and built for the chapel in Regis Hall.

January 16. Fr. McKey set off on his sales trip through the Southwest and Gulf States, and Bro. Lee Williams returned from Tertianship.

January 18. Fr. Diehl of the New York Province addressed the Juniors on the relationship of the Eucharistic Crusade to the Apostleship of Prayer. Bro. Massey moved to Alma College to replace Fr. Schneider who moved to Loyola University. In the Domestic chapel, workmen are laying new red carpeting to replace the old which gave twelve years service.

January 19. Mr. Anzerena, a scholastic from Argentina, has joined the community briefly to improve his English, before continuing on for missionary work in Japan. On his return to Alaska, Bro. George Feltes paid a brief visit to the Novitiate.

The effect of the "flu" was very apparent at the Novitiate. Many Juniors—almost all—and many Brothers, several of the faculty, and a few of the Novices suffered from it at one time or another.

Bros. Korte and Grosskopf have been advertising the Brothers' vocation by showing a film on the Brothers' life to various groups throughout the Archdiocese.

The ceiling of the inside dining room at Villa Joseph is receiving a covering of acoustic tiles to reduce the reverberation when the scholastics have to eat there.

Fr. John Huesman (Alma) will soon begin a Scripture course for the Novices.

PORT TOWNSEND

After putting up the traditional decorations in the refectory, chapel, and recreation room, all the tertians left for Christmas supply calls in various parishes and hospitals. They returned by the 27th. The community Christmas dinner was on the 28th.

Frs. Evoy and Christoff (Ore.) arrived on the 27th to give fifteen classes in Pastoral Psychology, thus completing the series they began in September. The general topic discussed was Client-Centered Counseling and its possible pastoral uses. The classes were interesting as well as practical. Classes were completed on the morning of December 31st in order to allow those with New Year's calls to get away in time.

Fr. F. Prange (Ore.), chaplain at McNeil Island Penitentiary for 17 years, arrived December 30th to make his retreat. On January 9th he gave a talk on the inner workings of a federal penitentiary, a talk that was of peculiar interest to tertians.

Uncertainty and a certain amount of wondering was brought to an end on January 5th when the list of Lenten assignments was posted. This gives the tertians ample time to prepare the necessary Lenten sermons and novenas.

Bro. John Connors (Ore.) spent about a week in St. John's Hospital here with bursitis in his right shoulder. During his absence the versatile Fr. Minister (Leo Gaffney) became Breakfast Cook. Frs. Powers and Coz cooked several of the dinners when the substitute lay cook was unable to be here, proving once again that they are as skilled in the apostolate of the frying pan as they are in the spiritual apostolate.

Fr. Halpin (Ore.) is presently in the hospital with a severe cold. He hopes to rejoin the community shortly.

LOYOLA UNIVERSITY

Several features introduced by Fr. Minister (Tichenor) helped to make the community's Christmas vacation memorably pleasant. The regular tables and chairs were removed from the refectory to be replaced by those from the Student center which seat four at a table. The recreation room was decorated on the evening of the 17th to the accompaniment of a pleasant haustus, and during the vacation morning coffee was available in the recreation room from 10:30 on.

The rains came on Dec. 23 breaking the driest spell for southern California in 82 years. January so far has added three inches, but we are still three under the usual for this time of year.

Solemn High Mass was celebrated in the University chapel Christmas morning at 9. Fr. Minister functioned as thurifer.

The province's Latin teachers descended on the university for a meeting between Jan. 27 and 30.

The annual Christmas party was hosted by the university this year with Ours from all over the southland in attendance. Preliminary hors d'ouvres were served in our refectory and the dinner was held in the Skyroom, buffet style.

As usually happens the boilers broke down just at the time when the weather got the coldest. We were without heat over the New Year's weekend. Shortly afterwards the hot-water heater in the faculty residence broke down for a day.

New lighting fixtures have been placed in the refectory adding considerably to visibility.

The University's treasurer, Fr. Prussing, will leave on Jan. 22 for St. Louis University where he will pursue two years of special studies in Business Administration. He will reside in the Fusz Memorial Philosophate. Fr. Schneider of Alma will replace him here.

Fr. President (Casassa) attended the meeting in Boston, Jan. 10-11, of

the Conference of presidents of Jesuit universities and colleges. He was elected to a one-year term on the Executive Committee. He was also elected to the Commission on Liberal Education of the Assoc. of Am. Colleges at the Boston meeting, Jan. 12-14.

Fr. Graham, a member of the national Board of Directors of the American Alumni Council, attended the regular midwinter meeting of the board at Tulane Univ., New Orleans, Jan. 19-20. As district chairman of the western district of the American Alumni Council, Father moderated the three-day conference at Palo Alto, Jan. 27-29. Some fifty western colleges and universities participated.

Fr. D. F. X. Finnegan served on an accreditation team for the State Board of Education on a two-and-a-half day visit to San Fernando State College in the second week of January. In his capacity as president of the California Council on Teacher Education, Father represented the public and private colleges of the State engaged in Teacher education before the State Board of Education at a special meeting considering the revision of the credential structure held at Los Angeles State College, Jan. 13. Father was sent as one of two delegates of the Joint Commission of the Western College Assoc. and the California Council on Teacher Education to a seven-state regional meeting held at Reno by the National Commission on Teacher Education and Professional Standards of the NEA.

On Tuesday, Jan. 19, Fr. Finnegan attended an all-day session of the Sub-Commission of the Western Education Assoc. reviewing reports of 12 Visiting Committees on accreditation of local Catholic high schools, including Loyola High.

Fr. Caldwell conducted a year-end triduum for the Religious of the Sacred Heart of Mary at Marymount High, Palos Verdes. Fr. Taylor gave a similar triduum in San Francisco; Fr. Wallen, a triduum in Phoenix.

The university sponsored its second "senior day" at which some 375 high school seniors were given an opportunity to tour the campus and obtain information on our programs. This makes the total of seniors to see the campus this year some 600.

About 175 high-school math students and teachers attended Fr. Wallen's second annual math symposium on Jan. 11. The program consisted of a symposium by the Frosh, dinner in the student center, and films dealing with mathematics.

The university is sponsoring a summer-school program at Brussels in Belgium this coming summer. It will include a regular summer session there, and several weeks of travel with an opportunity to see some of the Olympic Games in Rome. Four of the university's professors and Dr. Aloia, the director, will conduct the program. A minimum of 50 people is required; a maximum of 100 lower and upper division and graduate courses will be offered.

Toward the evening of Jan. 14, several members of the community noted that they had not seen Fr. Reilly during the day. About 7:30 p.m. Fr. Coony broke a panel in his locked door to find him on his bed unconscious. The room was very hot, as an electric heater was on and the windows were closed. Father was anointed, and Dr. Goodwin came to say that he had suffered a vascular cerebral accident, a stroke in the layman's parlance. He was taken to Daniel Freeman hospital in the coma and as of this writing (A.M. Jan. 18) he has not emerged from it. The condition was diagnosed as very serious and members of the community have been keeping a continual watch around the clock by his bedside. Both parents are living and are also in attendance much of the time.

This past month has seen con-

siderable sickness in the community, with Frs. Albertson, O'Farrell, Cyril Kavanagh, Odou, Aziz, Kilp, and Bros. Miller and Butler laid up with virus "Q" which is at epidemic proportions in the L.A. area: Fr. Humphreys in the hospital with a bronchial condition; Fr. Hogan there also; Fr. Markey in Freeman for observation and tests.

Visitors during the past month: Frs. Urusov, Brolan, Henry, Tupy, Hesser, Ecker (N. Eng.), Brady, Ledesma (Far East), and numerous scholastics.

Fr. Weckbach supplied in Phoenix during the Christmas holiday. He brought back some excellent photos of our new church there.

UNIVERSITY OF SAN FRANCISCO

Fr. E. L. Burke gave an evening of recollection to Catholic Teachers' Associations in Sacramento. He also gave the student retreat at Lone Mountain.

Fr. McDonnell gave a lecture to the Guild of Old St. Mary's (Paulist) on "Population Explosion.'

The Philhistorian Debating Society represented U.S.F. for the Western Speech Association annual tournament. 500 from 60 western colleges participated. All four U.S.F. contestants reached the final day of the semi-finals. This Society also acted as host for the Golden Gate League Tournament in Oakland and walked off with the honors.

Fr. Boss was on the radio discussing labor management relations in a panel discussion.

The Confraternity of Christian Doctrine held their Second Annual Congress of the Province of San Francisco on our campus. About 5000 attended the many sessions and discussions.

UNIVERSITY OF SANTA CLARA

Honors. The University conferred an honorary degree on Sidney Schwartz, Bay Area business man and long time benefactor and friend, Jan. 19.

Fr. W. Crowley was re-elected a member of the NCAA Executive Board. He attended the Executive Board meeting and the NCAA convention in New York, Jan. 4-8.

Fr. Guenther was appointed a member of the first art commission set up by Santa Clara County.

From Place to Place. Fr. President (P. Donohoe) attended the meeting of American College Presidents in Boston, Jan. 4-8.

Fr. Guenther made a three-day tour of student unions and library buildings in Southern California.

Fr. Fagothey accompanied the basketball team to Hawaii and Fr. McGinty accompanied it to Los Angeles.

Sick List. Fr. Donovan was forced to spend some time in O'Connor's but he is now back with the community.

Fr. Spearman was confined to the infirmary with a cold, but he is also better.

Cultural Events. The Santa Clara Philharmonic Orchestra presented a concert in the University Theatre with Elena Hitchcock as guest pianist on Jan. 15. The Philharmonic is co-sponsored by the University.

On Jan. 9 began an art exhibit in the de Saisset Gallery by the Santa Clara Artists' Guild.

On Jan. 17, Phalen Tassie and Eugene Lawrence gave a lecture recital on American Contemporary Composers of Song in the de Saisset Gallery.

LOYOLA HIGH SCHOOL

Holiday Gatherings. Fr. Rector (Plushkell) was an honored guest at a recent luncheon meeting of the Kiwanis Club, Baldwin Park, and spoke on the topic, "Father Should Be Head of the Home."

And also attended a meeting of the high-school rectors at St. Ignatius High School, San Francisco.

Frs. McFadden and Saussotte were present at a meeting of the high school principals in the same place.

Frs. Brannon and Playoust together with Messrs. Cowan, Flynn, Germann and O'Neill attended a meeting at Loyola U for further discussion of the Sweet method of teaching Latin.

As in former years the Loyola scholastics spent a few days of well-earned rest and recreation in the snow-blanketed area of Lake Arrowhead.

Fusion at Loyola U. A small caravan of cars left Pico Heights for Del Rey on December 28th in accepting Fr. Casassa's kind invitation to a joint celebration of Christmas at Loyola U. In an atmosphere created by masses of poinsettias, streamers and other beautiful Christmas decorations, 94 Los Angeles Jesuits warmly exchanged Christmas and New Year greetings and gay salutations heightened by the recent Christmas showers.

We then gladly sat down together in the sky room, and in a spirit recalling the "fusions" of early Los Gatos days joyfully partook of a traditional Christmas dinner. The highlight of the evening was the community singing of Christmas carols and other old songs led by Fr. D. Finnegan.

Hearst History Contest. Robert Schrum, a Loyola Junior, won second place and was awarded a $100 bond, and Mr. Roach, his history teacher, also received a $100 bond. Out of a grand total of 1865 contestants another Loyola Junior came in twentieth and received $10. Thirteen more Loyolans, because of their high scores, were awarded certificates of achievement.

Dads' Club New Year's Dinner. The four officers of the Loyola Dads' Club, headed by William J. Scully, Jr., and the seven members of the board of directors were honored guests of Fr. Rector and the other fathers and brothers on the night before New Year's Eve and heartily enjoyed the special dinner served them in the community dining room. Seated around the blazing logs upstairs afterward, all agreed with the comment of one of them, "This is even better than what we had this time last year at the Jonathan Club."

Catholic Speech Tourney. In the fifth annual Catholic Forensic League Tournament, recently held in the halls of Notre Dame High School, the Loyola speech team, coached by Mr. O'Neill, carried away the big sweepstakes trophy awarded for individual events. First honors went to Peter Lee, a Loyola Junior, who was also awarded a gold medal for his outstanding work in dramatic interpretation.

Basketball. In the Compton Invitational Basketball Tourney, which ended Jan. 16th, the Loyola Varsity took fourth place, losing the third place trophy to Millikan, 41-46.

Freshman Elocution Contest. Six speakers took part in Loyola's recent elocution contest. The winner was William Nolan, whose blue-ribbon selection was "The Button," a gripping story of a man's churning thoughts after being locked up in a prison cell. Mark Werts, the younger son of Dr. Frank Werts, house physician of the Loyola community, won second place with another introspective piece, "The G.I. Goes to War."

Death of a Good Neighbor. Msgr. John J. Gallagher, pastor of St. Thomas parish, some of whose property lies next door to Loyola's large playing field on 15th Street, after a brief illness died on Jan. 4th, in St. Vincent's Hospital, age 76.

In 1919, just two years after Fr. Ruppert and his pioneer Jesuit companions opened Loyola's new buildings on Pico Heights, Irish-born Fr. Gallagher came to St. Thomas' and began a pastorate which was to last nearly 41 years.

The present St. Thomas school and the parish hall were built, the church was enlarged, and a suitable residence was provided for the Immaculate Heart Sisters under his direction.

During all these years Fr. Gallagher endeared himself in many ways to his parishoners and to his Jesuit neighbors. The entire community was present at the rosary and divine office on the evening of Jan. 6th, and those who were able attended the solemn high funeral services next day. St. Thomas church was crowded to its doors. Requiescat in pace!

Health Report. Virus Q, a mild intestinal influenza infection, later called Asian flu, spread over the L.A. area in the first week of 1960. Less than 10% of our students were kept home a few days and four of the faculty had to remain in bed. The flu wave is subsiding now as we go to press.

Ex Aliis Provinciis. Loyola recently welcomed:

Bro. George Feltes, of the Immaculate Conception School staff, 350 pupils, Fairbanks, Northern Alaska, to visit his aged mother who resides in Modesto.

Mr. George Anzorena (Argentina) en route to Los Gatos to learn more English before leaving for Japan.

BELLARMINE

During the Christmas vacation Fr. Leahy was taken to Maryknoll Hospital in Monrovia, apparently with tuberculosis. His stay there will be indefinite, but it is hoped he will be able to see the seniors again in his counselor's office before they graduate.

During the week preceding Christmas our Latin teachers attended the annual Latin teachers meeting at LU. Fr. Stretch was able to make the trip and has returned ready to take over his classes from Fr. Brolan who has been substituting for him. Fr. Strehl has already returned to action.

On January 16th Bellarmine sponsored a student congress. About 175 boys and girls were in attendance.

The Golden Bell Dinner Dance was a sell-out three weeks before the date set for it, January 30th. The theme this year was "A night in Rome."

The Jesuit Mothers' Christmas party on December 20th was a great success.

ST. IGNATIUS HIGH SCHOOL

Educational Convention. The correction of third-period examination papers came to a halt for the time being, while our faculty, Jesuit and lay, attended the sessions of the regional Catholic Educational Association. These sessions were held over a two-day period in Riordan High School, at the beginning of the Christmas holidays. Fr. Leonard presided in a group session on Religion. Fr. Dave Morgan was the speaker in a mathematics meeting, while Mr. James Brennan was recorder for a science group.

Jesuit Mothers. Our attendance was encouraged at the annual Christmas Tree Party given by the mothers of Ours. Phelan Hall was the scene of the happy gathering. Each mother introduced herself, naming her parish and stating what duty her son was performing in our far-flung activities. For entertainment, Mr. Tollini played a selection on the violin, accompanied by Mr. Seeber; and Messrs. Tollini and R. Higgins sang for the delighted mothers.

Thanks. Gratitude for aid to the needy was expressed to St. Ignatius boys and to the Jesuits in a letter from the St. Vincent de Paul Society. The letter was addressed to Mr. Wood, who handled the Christmas basket drive. Other thanks were also expressed, in the local Jewish Community Bulletin, to Mr. Kevin Lysaght and a group of S.I. boys for their entertainment at the Hebrew Home for the Aged at Christmas time.

Midnight Mass. Fr. Rector (P. Carroll) celebrated Midnight Mass in the High School chapel for members of the Dads' Club and their relatives. This was also the Com-

munity Mass, and was attended by the scholastics and brothers.

Visitors. Among a number of visitors to our new community were Frs. F. Sheerin, Frugoli, Strehl, and Rice.

Principals Meet. The Province principals and Fr. Hynes met, in late December, at St. Ignatius, to discuss the problems attendant on the operation of a boys' Catholic high school.

Welcome Choristers. Grim Alcatraz, which for all the world looks like a dreadnaught forever anchored in the Bay, received, on Christmas Day, a welcome addition to the usual Catholic services. Fr. Tupy, prison chaplain, assures us that the singing of Messrs. R. Higgins, Wood and Bush was greatly appreciated by the men assembled for Holy Mass.

Varia. Fr. Becker's senior classes publish news-letters, of interest to themselves and all who care to read them. Mr. Lee and Mr. McFerran are experimenting with direct-method techniques in their Spanish classes; the idea was spawned at the last regional NCEA convention. Bro. Deutsch has been in the hospital for some time for a minor operation and a general check-up.

Spiritualia. Fr. Dailey of Alma gave an informative **casus** on the secular institutes, especially the Opus Dei.

School Play, Stalag 17 was creditably presented by the students, under the direction of Mr. Seidler and Mr. Tollini. Good numbers attended the three performances in Campion Hall Auditorium, and were articulate in their praise of the play and its cast of actors.

Dads' Club. Fr. Magner, recently returned from Bangkok, addressed the boys' fathers on his experiences in that far land. Father is awaiting the clearance of the U.S. Hospital Ship Hope, which is being fitted out for a long cruise at Mare Island. Fr. Magner will be chaplain on this medical mission of mercy to several countries of Asia.

FRESNO

Christmas actiivties. Fr. Jos. King gave a year-end triduum to the Presentation Sisters at old Montezuma in Los Gatos. Fr. Crane attended the province meeting of high-school Latin teachers at Loyola U. The subject of discussion was the new Sweet method of teaching Latin. Fr. St. Sure attended the province meeting of high-school principals in San Francisco and then traveled south for the Latin meeting at Loyola U. Fr. Fitch gave the year-end triduum to the Sisters of Mercy at their hospital in Bakersfield. Fr. J. Shepherd was commentator at the televised Mass in the Fresno cathedral Christmas morning. Fr. Brady was M.C.

Guest: Br. Upton was in Fresno for a few days for the purpose of consoling his bereaved sister, whose husband, Peter Palumbo, died suddenly.

Sports: Fr. Crane, sports czar at Ryan, has been training the seminarians in the art of soccer. Fr. King has become quite a golf enthusiast and practices daily on the neighboring field, amid whirling baseballs and encircling model airplanes.

EL RETIRO

History was made on New Year's Night when Mr. Paul Mariani led 50 men to El Retiro for their annual retreat, Fr. Leahy directing.

Summary of Retreats for 1959: Retreats of various lengths and varieties, 71; Number of Retreatants: 4452. It is interesting to note that since the opening of El Retiro, 1800 retreats have been given to an overall attendance of 79,227.

Fr. Bradstreet conducted a day of recollection at Lone Mountain for a group of about 200 Sisters from various congregations in the Bay Area. On January 12 he began a retreat for the Holy Family Sisters at Mission San Jose.

Brother Ellis has been transfer-

red to Alma College.

A Steel Tank of 50,000 gals. capacity has been erected on the highest plateau of our property. This will give much needed additional water storage and fire protection.

Fr. Superior (Tobin) bothered considerably by an old athletic injury to the knee spent a few days in St. Mary's Hospital.

A very substantial bequest has come to El Retiro through the good offices of Fr. Rice, former Superior here, from the estate of a deceased retreatant, Mr. Frank Cator, and his wife Mary, who recently passed away.

Charlie Harney harassed by difficulties at Candlestick Point, nevertheless made time to gather a large class and lead them here on Thursday Jan. 14. Final total, 98.

Father James Kearney began his retreat but had to interrupt it because of illness.

Fr. Felix Aquistapace will be our guest while recuperating from his recent heart attack.

ST. FRANCIS XAVIER, PHOENIX

On Sunday, December 6, our beautiful new church was dedicated by our beloved bishop, attended by Father Provincial (C. O'Sullivan) and 60 other members of the clergy.

Bishop Gercke gave a eulogy of St. Francis Xavier. Father Provincial was celebrant of Benediction assisted by two former pastors Frs. Leahy and Daze.

Fr. Kelleher was very happy to have his whole family including his dear mother be present for the dedication ceremonies.

On the following day Bishop Gercke consecrated the high altar. He stated before the dedication ceremonies that he long awaited this occasion, because he had decided that this "Basilica" was to be the last that he was to dedicate.

The Arizona Register featured the new church in its Christmas issue and the daily newspaper is doing the same in its Sunday magazine section. Scores of people each day are found taking camera shots of the magnificent edifice.

The remarkable thing about the new church is that it is almost 100 per cent complete in all details including furnishings, stained glass windows and marble altars within a month or two of its occupancy. This is a tremendous tribute to the generosity of the people of the parish.

The crowds at the later Masses on Sunday have taxed this large church (1700 seating) to its capacity.

The crowds at Christmas midnight Mass were very large. The new church had standing room only by 11:30 p.m. The Brophy Chapel and Xavier Hall were also filled. The crowd was estimated as about 2700 attending midnight Mass.

At one time, we had nine priests hearing confessions on Christmas Eve, so large were the crowds.

So the first Christmas in the new St. Francis Xavier Parish church was a very busy one and a very joyous one.

HOLY FAMILY, SAN JOSE

According to the plans of the Redevelopment Agency of the City of San Jose, the area immediately surrounding our church (about nine square blocks) is to be cleared of dwellings. The plans call for the building of multi-storied apartment houses and parking areas. St. Joseph School buildings and the Holy Family Convent plant will remain untouched.

In the meantime, our own building program is lagging. The new rectory still has not got a complete roof.

Feb. 2 will be Final Vow Day Day for Fr. Carlos S. Orozco (Ext. Or.), who is presently attending Stanford Univ. Special permission has been received from the Chancery for an evening Mass for the occasion.

APOSTLESHIP OF PRAYER

Fr. Thomas Diehl (Chi.), national secretary of the Eucharistic Crusade, accompanied by Fr. Newport, conducted institutes on the Crusade in S.F., Sacramento, Fresno and Phoenix. He also addressed the Confraternity of Christian Doctrine meeting at U.S.F., and spoke to our novices, juniors and theologians.

The diocesan directors of the Apostleship in our province held their annual meeting at U.S.F. Included among the diocesan directors are Frs. Twigg-Porter (SF), Parrish (L.A.), A. Falvey (Sacramento), V. Doherty (Tucson) and the secular directors of the dioceses of Monterey-Fresno and Salt Lake City. Fr. Diehl addressed the group.

Fr. Newport gave a report on the region and explained the new sections added to the Apostleship by Fr. General.

Fr. Twigg-Porter conducted a triduum of reparation at O.L. of Guadalupe Church in San Diego.

SF RUSSIAN CENTER

Dec. 25, Fr. Urusov returned from his trip to Europe after a year and a half.

Talk. Fr. Patzelt spoke to the Dominican scholastics of St. Albert's College in Oakland about the Eastern Rite and celebrated a Holy Liturgy there.

EXTRA PROVINCIAM DEGENTES

Fr. V. Fernandez returned from Chile, paid a brief visit to the Province and has now gone on to Georgetown to pursue further studies about Latin America.

Historical Prize. Fr. R. A. Graham, associate editor of **America,** has been awarded the annual John Gilmary Shea Prize by the American Catholic Historical Association for "the most original and distinguished contribution to historical knowledge by a Catholic scholar during 1959." The award was for his book **Vatican Diplomacy,** published by Princeton U. Press. Besides describing the nature and origins of papal diplomacy, the book treats especially of its exercise during the two World Wars, and in relation to the United States and the Soviet Union.

FAR EASTERN PROVINCE

From Fr. Houle's diary: Showed three China films and talked to the 70 Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet at St. Mary's Academy on the day before New Year's Eve.

Arranged with the Sisters to recreate that evening with Elizabeth Hall, a young Chinese lady who would tell them of what she experienced during her months of imprisonment by the Reds of Shanghai.

Received gratefully a substantial Christmas donation from the Boarders of St. Mary's. In the words of Bishop Sheen, "God love them."

Spoke at all six Sunday Masses, Jan. 3rd, in the Claretian Fathers new chapel of the San Gabriel Mission. They generously donated their second collection to me today for the American Jesuits in Formosa. And this in spite of their heavy debts and all the property they also lost to the Chinese communists.

Gave an evening talk and showed three China films to some 60 members of the Holy Name Society of St. Luke's parish, Temple City.

Another evening talk while showing films to about 150 high-school parents of St. Monica's parish, Santa Monica, who had braved a heavy rainstorm to be present.

Luncheon guest of about 40 college women, mostly non-Catholics, more than 30 years old, members of the Delta Gamma Sorority, Beverly Hills. Talked for an hour on Communism in China, the Church of Silence. Also answered ques-

tions for a second hour. All of them very receptive.

Another evening talk and a showing of China films to the Sisters of St. Joseph, St. Joseph's Hospital, Orange.

VARIA

Recent deaths: Fr. Joseph Herbers (Mo.) Dec. 27, at Florissant; Fr. John Downey (Chi.) Jan. 4, in Chicago; Fr. Aloysius Breen (Chi.) Jan. 12, in Cincinnati.

You are also asked to remember in your prayers the sister of Bro. Ed Johnson, the fathers of Fr. Keane and Mr. Boyle, and the mother of Frs. J. and R. Devlin.

E Soc. exiverunt: P. Joannes T. Collins; Jacobus P. Muntz (an. 2 mag.); Petrus M. Finnegan, Eduardus J. Kavanaugh, et Edmundus G. Brown (an. 2 juniores).

RETREATS, 1959

		Father
Sep. 3-Sep. 7	Presentation Srs.; Los Gatos	Porter
Sep. 7-Sep. 11	Presentation Srs.; Los Gatos	Savall
Sep. 23-Oct. 2	Little Srs. of the Poor; S.F.	Moffatt
Oct. 22-Oct. 25	Guests at O. Lady's Home, Oakland	Fader
Nov. 12-Nov. 21	Good Shepherd Srs.; Arlington Ave., L.A.	Newport
Nov. 17-Nov. 20	Conv. of S. Heart; Broadway, S.F.	Seeliger
Dec. 4-Dec. 6	Girls: Presentation College, Los Gatos	Savall
Dec. 4-Dec. 7	Holy Names Srs.; College of the H.N., Oakland	Diebels
Dec. 5-Dec. 8	Holy Names Srs.; St. Cecilia's School; S.F.	Leonard
Dec. 5-Dec. 8	Little Srs. of the Poor, S.F.	J. Shepherd
Dec. 5-Dec. 8	Srs. of Holy Names; St. Monica's, S.F.	McMahon
Dec. 28-Dec. 31	Mercy Srs.; Mercy Hospital, Bakersfield	Fitch
Dec. 28-Dec. 31	Mercy Srs.; St. Mary's Hospital, S.F.	Hynes
Dec. 28-Dec. 31	Mercy Srs.; St. Joseph's Hospital, Phoenix	Wallen
Dec. 28-Dec. 31	Presentation Srs.; Academy, Berkeley	Treanor
Dec. 28-Jan. 1	Mercy Srs.; Motherhouse & Novitiate, Burlingame	Silva
Dec. 28-Jan. 1	Presentation Srs.; Los Gatos	Jos. King
Dec. 28-Jan. 1	Ursuline Srs.; St. John's, S.F.	Brown
Dec. 28-Jan. 1	Presentation Srs.; 281 Masonic, S.F.	Coleman
Dec. 28-Jan. 1	Mercy Srs.; Our Lady's Home, Oakland	F. Harrington
Dec. 28-Jan. 1	Mercy Srs.; St. John's Mil. Academy, L.A.	Enright
Dec. 28-Dec. 31	Ursuline Srs.; St. Malachy's, L.A.	C. Lynch
Dec. 29-Dec. 31	Perpetual Adoration Srs.; S.F.	Spieler
Dec. 29-Dec. 31	Presentation Srs.; St. Anne's, S.F.	Taylor
Dec. 29-Dec. 31	I.B.V.M. Srs.; Sts. Simon & Jude, Phoenix	Babbish
Dec. 29-Dec. 31	Relig. of the S.H. of Mary, Palos Verdes	Caldwell

MISSION BAND SCHEDULE, 1960

(Continued from last month)

		Father
Mar. 27-Apr. 3	Mission, St. Charles, No. Hollywood	McIntosh-Giambastiani
Apr. 1-3	Retreat, Married Couples, Montecito	Silva
Apr. 3-10	Mission, St. Joseph's, Los Banos	Toner
Apr. 3-10	Mission, St. Charles, North Hollywood	McIntosh-Silva
Apr. 11-13	Retreat, University of San Diego	Shepherd

Apr. 12-17	Holy Week & Tre Ore, S.H. Bakersfield	Giambastiani
Apr. 12-17	Holy Week & Tre Ore, St. Jarlath's, Oakland	McIntosh
Apr. 15	Tre Ore, St. Francis, San Francisco	Silva
Apr. 24-28	Days of Recollection, Duarte	Savall
May 1-23	Supply, Our Lady of Mt. Carmel, Fresno	Savall
May 6-8	Retreat, Married Couples, Montecito	McIntosh
May 11-15	Retreat, Business Women, S.H. Convent, S.F.	Silva
May 13-15	Retreat, Married Couples, Montecito	Toner
May 13-15	Retreat, S.H. Retreat House, Alhambra	McIntosh
May 15-22	Mission, Good Shepherd, Pacifica	Giambastiani
May 27-30	Retreat, Vallombrosa, Menlo Park	Silva
June 3-5	Retreat, Married Couples, Montecito	Toner
June 17-19	Retreat, Vallombrosa, Menlo Park	Silva
July	Summer Supply, St. Patrick's, Scotia	Giambastiani
July	Summer Supply, St. Patrick's, Carlsbad	Shepherd
July 18-26	Novena to St. Anne, St. Rita's, Fairfax	Savall
July 18-26	Novena to St. Anne, Assumption, San Leandro	Silva
July-Aug. 15	Summer Supply, St. Leander's, San Leandro	McIntosh
August	Summer Supply, St. Patrick's, Scotia	Leahy
August	Summer Supply, O.L. of Mt. Carmel, Fresno	Savall
August	Summer Supply, St. Francis & S.H., Bakersfld.	Giambastiani
Oct. 7-9	Retreat, Married Couples, Hotel Del Mar, S. Cruz	McIntosh
Nov. (Middle of)	Retreat, Seattle University	3 Priests
Nov. 30-Dec. 8	Novena, St. Pius, Redwood City	Silva (1 other)
Nov. 30-Dec. 8	Novena, St. Thomas More, San Francisco	McIntosh